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SUBJ: CHIEF OF STATE'S VISIT TO US

1. IN MY MEETING WITH THE CHIEF OF STATE ON AUGUST 29, LOPEZ STATED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED AN INVITATION FROM MR. JOHN CONNALLY TO VISIT TEXAS. ACCORDING TO LOPEZ, MR. CONNALLY IS CHAIRMAN OF THE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR THE FORT WORTH-DALLAS AREA. THE INVITATION IS FOR SEPTEMBER 16 TO ATTEND THE AIRPORT'S INAUGURATION.

2. LOPEZ MENTIONED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED AN INVITATION FROM MR. CONNALLY TO VISIT TEXAS ON A PREVIOUS OCCASION. HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT HE HAD DECIDED NOT TO ATTEND BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTIES THAT DEVELOPED BETWEEN THE TEXAS SECURITY FORCES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE SECURITY OFFICE. HE INDICATED THAT HE WOULD BE UNWILLING TO GO IF SUCH DIFFICULTIES OCCURRED AGAIN. LOPEZ FAILED TO EXPLAIN EXACTLY WHAT THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INFORM THE EMBASSY OF THE PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED IN SUCH A VISIT. IN ADDITION, WOULD IT BE USEFUL TO SUGGEST A WASHINGTON VISIT TO LOPEZ? MY IMPRESSION IS THAT HE IS ONLY INTERESTED IN A SHORT TRIP TO THE AIRPORT INAUGURATION.

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